

A woman with dark hair is styling the blonde, wavy hair of a mannequin. The mannequin is wearing a pink strapless top. The woman is wearing a light blue top. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

SENIOR BETH MOST arranges a mannequin's hair in the breast cancer awareness display she helped build for class. The display adopted the American Cancer Society's slogan "Celebrate More Birthdays" as they depicted a celebration.

BY BRITTANY KEITHEY
Editor-in-Chief

"I didn't know any of this

See **PINK** on A5



Waylon Martenson

See **DEAN** on A5

LORI FRANKENFIELD | PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR
SEAN KINGSTON PERFORMS **friday night** at the Ron Houston Performing Arts Center. Student Activites Council brought Kingston and the Ying Yang Twins as the Fall concert.

Supporters wear purple with pride

BY LESLIE NELSON
Missourian Reporter

The color purple is widely recognized as representing pride. For the Lesbian-Gay-Bisexual-Transgender-Questioning community, it also represents spirit.

What started as a group on Facebook quickly became a nationwide event. Yesterday, on the Wednesday following “Coming Out” week, students from all around the country wore purple on Wednesday to celebrate and remember the lives of seven boys who recently committed suicide.

Tyler Clementi, Seth Walsh, Justin Aaberg, Raymond Chase, Asher Brown, Billy Lucas and Zach Harrington, all homosexual, committed suicide in the past few months due to intolerance and

abuse because of their sexual orientation. Spirit, pride and remembrance are themes that Northwest's Common Ground and other LGBTQ organizations and supporters wanted to celebrate by wearing purple.

"Everyone (was) wearing purple to remember," Dalton Williams, Common Ground's vice president, said.

LGBTQ supporters not only want to remember the seven recent suicides, but past murders and suicides too. Common Ground recently held a candlelight vigil to honor the life of Matthew Shepard.

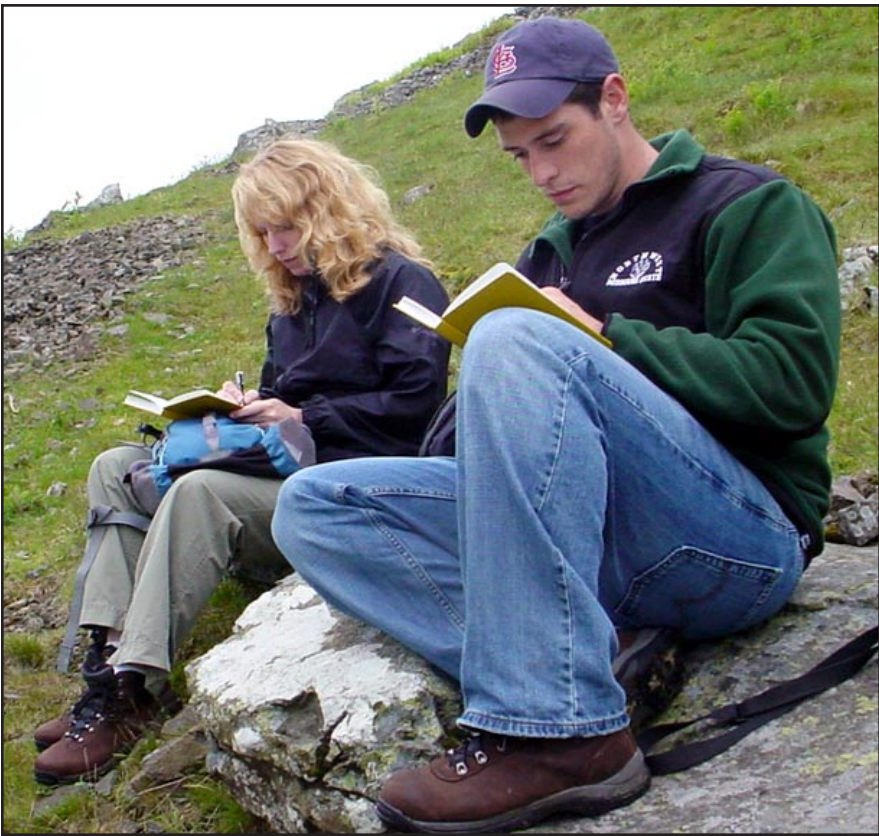
“(Shepard) was a boy who was beaten to death back in the 90s for being gay,” said Williams. “His death caused a big uprising in the gay rights movement.”

“Coming Out” Week, a week dedicated to those who have come out, is held every year on the anniversary of Shepard’s murder.

Common Ground stands to prevent incidents like Shepard's from happening again. With the amount of prejudice and hatred towards homosexuality, Common Ground and other organizations that support the LGBTQ community have a lot of work ahead of them. The group works to promote tolerance towards them.

Fabrielle Schroeder, Common Ground's activities coordinator, explained that the group helps by just "being here where you can just come and be yourself."

Common Ground meets every Thursday at 6 p.m. in the Tower View room at the Union.



ALUMNUS BRETT HAMLIN and Associate Professor Renee Rohs jot field notes during their reconnaissance trip to Ireland and Scotland.

Graduate wins award

BY AUSTIN BUCKNER
Managing Editor

At the 57th annual Association of Missouri Geologists meeting on Friday, Oct. 8, in Maryville, Northwest graduate Brett Hamlin was chosen to receive the 2010 O.R. Grawe Award. Each year, the AMG awards one undergraduate student with the award, celebrating the memory of Oliver Rudolph Grawe, the first president of the AMG.

In 2008, Hamlin helped create a new course at Northwest. Associate Professor Renee Rohs said Hamlin's background in geographic information systems made him stand out from the rest of the pack.

"After we received applications, we selected him because we felt like he was the strongest candidate for what we needed," Rohs explained. "What we wanted the most out of that undergraduate research person was someone with a little bit of background

in geographic information systems so that we could generate the maps.”

In order to create these maps, Hamlin traveled to Ireland and Scotland with Rohs and Associate Professor Aaron Johnson in May of 2009.

"Basically what I was tasked with was navigation throughout the country, to get us to each of the desired sites they wanted to visit," Hamlin explained. "I was also tasked with gathering information to construct maps that they would use in the course the following summer."

Hamlin is not the first Northwest student to win the prestigious O.R. Grawe Award. In 2008, Ashley Leger won the award, as did Diana Leopard in 2004 and John Pope in 1995. Hamlin says four winners in the last 15 years say a lot for the strength of Northwest's geology department as not only one of the best programs in the state, but in the Midwest region.

NORTHWEST STUDIO JAZZ ENSEMBLE



DARRELL LONG | MISSOURIAN PHOTOGRAPHER

THE NORTHWEST STUDIO Jazz Ensemble performed Monday night at the Charles Johnson Theatre. The concert included latin swings to classic jazz like John Coltrane's Blue Train.



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Determined to stop the stares

BY EMILY JENKINS
Missourian Reporter

Every day we walk around campus and see the same familiar sights: students slinging book-bags over their shoulders as they walk from building to building, someone holding a bottle of water in one hand and texting with the other or maybe another with a hurried look on his or her face as he or she runs to a class they are late for. These are all things we never think twice about, until we look upon a person who cannot do these things.

When we see someone different from ourselves, we cannot help but glance their way, perhaps lingering a second longer than we do for others. These lingering looks are the very thing that the organization No More Stares hopes to eliminate.

No More Stares is a Missouri based organization founded by people with and without disabilities.

“The actual conference was founded because of people staring,” Sharon Courter, a committee member of No More Stares said. “There were a couple people who had disabilities and they were having a rough time in the community and with their family.”

The conference presents an opportunity for disabled people to share their experiences, inspire others and provide knowledge to those whom they interact with every day.

“The goal is to help educate the community and people with disabilities on how important it is, and also on why staring is not the best thing to do,” Courter said.

They discuss the difficulties that come with being disabled, yet want to enforce the idea of equal opportunity, no matter what predicament the individual faces.

This year’s conference took place today in St. Joseph. The keynote speaker was Miss Wheelchair Missouri 2010 Katie Rodriquez-Banister who suffered a terrible car accident that left her a paraplegic. Other topics such as caring for people with Alzheimer’s, learning how to play to your strengths and a highlight of the history of No More Stares were discussed.

The organization feels that by getting their message out they can tear down the barrier that separates those with disabilities from those who do not.

“It takes everybody to hold a community up,” Courter said, “and we need to continue to build communication and education in order for this to happen”

Courter also hopes that by getting the message out they can inspire others to get involved.

“We have no official funding,” Courter said. “We function solely from donations from individuals, so it’s important to get more people interested in our cause.”

Mobile office tour to visit Maryville

BY TREY WILLIAMS
News Editor

On Tuesday, Oct. 26, members of Congressman Sam Graves’ staff will be at the Nodaway County Courthouse to meet with constituents.

Over the next couple of weeks Graves’ mobile office will travel throughout northwest Missouri as an easier way for the congressman to understand and meet the needs of supporters.

According to his press secretary, Shawn Ryan,

Graves does not have the time to travel everywhere he would like, but still wants to stay connected. Members of his staff are spending one to two hours in Missouri districts, listening and answering any questions that may be raised.

“From talking with district reps, a lot of the case work originates through mobile offices,” Ryan said.

These mobile offices run 12 months a year, one per month. Ryan said the mobile offices work very well as a way to meet with constituents



JASON LAWRENCE | MISSOURIAN REPORTER

CONGRESSMAN SAM GRAVES visited Northwest in August. Tuesday, members of his staff will be back on his behalf to speak to constituents.

ents instead of them trying to get in touch with Graves.

“We wouldn’t keep doing it if it wasn’t effective,” Ryan

said.

The mobile office tour will visit Maryville at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday.

Fall raises risk of deer, vehicle accidents

BY TREY WILLIAMS
News Editor

This time of year is a dangerous one on the roadways, due to the number of deer related accidents. Maybe there are too many deer because of the rut, or maybe they instinctually realize it is hunting season, therefore stray away from wooded areas. Whatever the case, Missouri residents are at high risk to come bumper to bumper with a wandering deer.

- In 2009, Missouri had 3,676 traffic crashes where deer-vehicle strikes occurred in the first harmful event.

One deer strike occurred every 2.4 hours in the State.

- Of all deer strike traffic crashes, 28% occurred in an urban area and 72% occurred in a rural area of the state. Even though rural areas seem to be overrepresented, the seven highest ranking Missouri counties experiencing this problem are associated with major metropolitan counties. These include: St. Louis, Jackson, Platte, Jefferson, Clay, Franklin, and Boone. Deer strike traffic crashes in these counties account for 35.8% of the total.

- Calculations show slightly less than half, or

49.1%, of the 2009 deer strike crashes occurred from October through December, with the largest proportion in November (26.5%).

- When discussing this with the Missouri Department of Conservation, they suggested the major cause of increased roadway crossings by deer during this period is mating season. The peak occurs about mid-November.

-In addition, deer hunting season also may cause an increase in roadway crossings. The slight increase in deer-involved crashes noted in the spring months may be attributed to yearling fawns

dispersing from their mothers just prior to the arrival of newborns.

- The majority of deer strike crashes occurred from 5 p.m. through 6:59 a.m. This time period accounted for 86.3% of the total.

- Of the drivers striking deer, 60.1% were male and 39.9% were female. The average age of the driver was 40.7 years.

This information was compiled by the Missouri State Highway Patrol in 2009 and prepared by Public Information and Education Division and the Missouri Statistical Analysis Center.

POLICE BLOTTER

- Oct. 19
Jeffrey A. Ebrecht, 26, Pickering, MO, Disorderly Conduct, 200 Block West 12th Street.
- Christopher Ebrecht, 31, City, Disorderly Conduct, 200 Block West 12th Street.
- Jeremy E. Smith, 30, Pickering, MO, Disorderly Conduct, 200 Block West 12th Street.
- Ongoing investigation, Larceny, 1800 Block South Main
- Oct. 18
Benjamin D. Demott, 21, Stecen D. Gillespie, 20, Disorderly Conduct.
- Recovered Property: License Plates, 700 Block North Fillmore.
- Ongoing Property Damage Investigation, 600 Block North Main.
- Dominic J. Calabrese, 20, Kansas City, MO, Minor in Possession, 400 Block North Buchanan
- Oct. 16
Sarah M., Gover, 19, Minor in Possession, Littering, 600 Block north Fillmore.
- Graham N. Kearns, 19, Minor in Possession, 600 Block north Fillmore.
- Oct. 15
Michelle L. Long, 23, Wanted on Warrant-Failure to Appear.
Melissa A. Swinford, 28, Disorderly Conduct, 200 Block East 3rd.
- Cortez D. Wallace, 27, Minneapolis, MN, Leaving the scene of an accident, 100 Block East 3rd Street
- Oct. 14
Nathaniel P. Wood, 18, Stealing, 1600 Block South Main.
- Wiley D. Weaver II, 20, St. Joseph, Possession of Another's I.D. and Providing False Information to a Public Safety Officer.
- Tyler L. Williams, 19, City, DWI, MIP, Exceeding posted speed limit, 700 Block College Avenue
- Oct. 13
Disorderly Conduct ongoing investigation, 200 Block East 3rd Street.

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OUR VIEW

Why a fix is not a cure

By the end of 2010, nearly 40,000 cases of breast cancer will claim their victims in America alone, according to the Radiology Regional Center in Fort Myers. Consider how many strains of the disease attack Americans daily, and it is easy to justify the many organizations and countless dollars contributing to a cure.

If the success of chemotherapy reduces your level or urgency even slightly, keep reading. The five-year survival rate among women whose breast cancer has not spread beyond the breast at the time of diagnosis is 97 percent, according to the Ameri-

can Cancer Society. Those odds certainly do diminish cancer's deadly reputation, but they do not, in any way, signal a cure.

Medical doctors have been setting broken arms and legs for years, but the frequency of broken arms or legs is not decreasing. Fixing a sickness or injury is not the same as curing it.

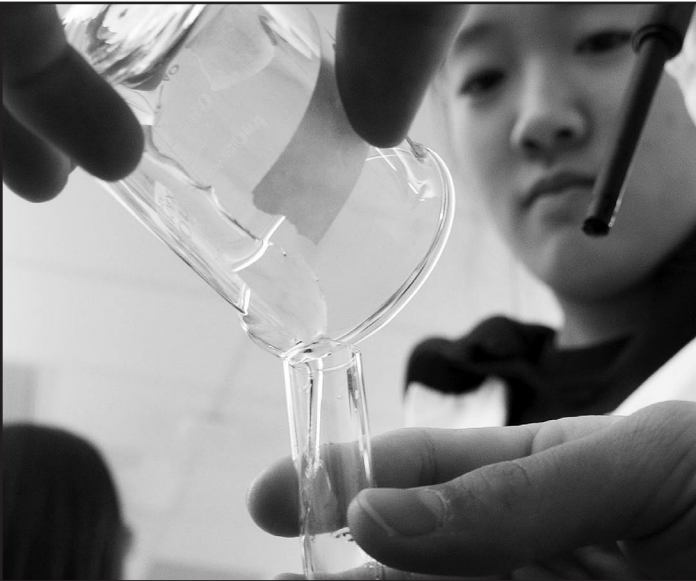
Similarly, all the preventative measures you can take will not grant you ineligibility from cancer.

That said, all the preventative measures you can take should probably be taken, especially if you are

considered an at-risk patient. Avoid known carcinogens by steering clear of activities such as cigarettes, tanning beds, deep-fried foods, doughnuts, whole milk and certain toiletries, including talcum powder.

About 85 percent of lung cancer deaths come from smokers, according to the National Cancer Institute. Given Maryville's recent smoking ban, now is the perfect time to kick the habit.

While the stem cell debate waylays cure research, people are dying. Schedule regular checkups and avoid carcinogens until the cure is found.



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STUDENT RESEARCHERS MEASURE chemicals in a university lab experiment. Years of research has yielded treatments and revealed possible links to cancer, but known cures are still years away.

Potential new fees coming by next school year

The last thing any Northwest student wants to hear right now is tuition increase. In fairness to the University, steps were taken last year to curtail any increase in this regard, but in light of inevitable budget cuts, the only other way the University can cushion the effect of this shortfall is to increase tuition across the board.

This issue was tabled before the 87th Student Senate last year, and it resulted in a heated debate. Certain fees were voted down while others received a second hearing. The Senate invited staff from various departments to defend proposed fee increases, and the Senate subsequently held a closed-door session to deliberate on the bill.

Fee increases to be voted on by Senate this year include classroom renovations, student activities fees, wellness services, minimum wage, textbook program, technology fees and the readership fee.

The University gave Northwest students the rare privilege to have a say in this matter. It is in this regard that Student Fees Ad Hoc Committee was set up by the Student Senate and chaired by the Student Regent Joe Barbosa. The aim of this committee is to discuss the proposed fee increase, dialogue with invited staff and let students know what services/benefits thereof the

increase will bring, pass on recommendation to the Senate for further deliberation and to vote for the motion. The Student Regent will convey the outcome of the Senate decision to the Board of Regents. Students are invited to the SFAHC meetings and are also encouraged to attend Senate meetings or make their opinion known to their class representatives in the Senate, who can vote on their behalf.



Godwin Mordi
Contributing Columnist

Not all fee proposals received agreeen light for an increase from the Senate last year; the Senate was informed publishers increase their prices twice a year. In light of the impending budget cuts, a fee increase of \$1 per credit hour was proposed as a way of absorbing the shock of the budget cut.

The proposed fee increase will be debated on the floor of the Senate in the coming weeks and Northwest students are encouraged to participate in these hearings.

Additionally, students can speak openly on the Senate's Facebook page, Northwest Student Senate. Speak up now before decisions are made and fees are raised.

CAMPUS TALK

Do you think cancer will be cured in your lifetime?



"With today's technology we are getting closer and closer every day. I'm sure someone's bound to find it soon in our generation."

Riley Bean
Theatre



"Considering the rate of technology and medical research, I can see a cure for some type of cancer in about three or four years."

Matt Umstead
Undecided



"I think we are too far from it. A lot of people are still dying from it daily. Hopefully it will come within the next 10 years."

Taylor Neill
Psychology



"I feel that with the advances in medicine and technology, it's not far away."

Michah Rhoad
Undecided



"I think my initial reaction is a long way. We have ways to treat it, yes, and those are improving, but I don't think we are close to a cure."

Rachel Rittman
Secondary English Ed.

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A fresh look at our textbook program

This spring, the Board of Regents votes on raising the students' textbook fees, again. Maybe the national textbook conglomerate increased prices. Maybe competitive supply waned due to stricter state curriculum regulations. Regardless, the program's cost is going to continually inflate before it drops, unless major change is considered.

Variable-frequency textbook updates need to be instituted to save money across the board. Certain literature textbooks probably have not changed enough in the past three years to warrant tossing the old ones and replacing them with updated versions. Let them continue to circulate for a few more years. Conversely, textbooks for certain science courses are outdated months after print – these can be renewed more frequently.

Textbooks are not the best teaching medium for each course. They ought to be eliminated where they can be. For example, students taking Computers and Information Technology must purchase a \$40 SAM card to access online content. At the same time, a thin textbook is used as a curriculum supplement. Yet most of the pertinent information in the book is also available on the easy-to-use website. Why not eliminate the book and use the savings to supply the SAM card for students?

Louisiana New Tech is one of several high schools who pioneered a textbook-



Philip Gruenwald
Opinion Editor

free learning environment. By efficiently employing SMART boards, computers and group projects, student interaction and participation went through the roof.

Northwest is nationally known for its textbook rental service and online textbook program, but the two do not always work well together. Certain courses are textbook-free, but physical books are still needlessly used.

Students, if the textbook you have for a certain course is not being used, talk to your Student Senate representative. Teachers, if your books are not being used enough, talk to provost Doug Dunham to see if they can be eliminated or replaced with online coursework. Let us trim the fat to reduce costs for students and the University. Once again, let us be examples of smart textbook use.

WHAT THE DEUCE

Weapons connoisseur, killer at age seventeen



MCT CAMPUS

Most 17-year-olds look forward to college or employment after graduating from high school. But after Jose Torres shot his 12-year-old neighbor in the face, his future could include interminable jail time.

Torres' parents had no idea their son had a mass arsenal of weapons underneath his bed, let alone in their Ft. Lauderdale home, according to the local CBS station.

Anthony Alejandre, the victimized neighbor, died Friday in intensive care after the bullet pierced his cheek, severed his spinal cord and exited his shoulder. Emergency response workers found him with the firearm in hand, which Torres later admitted to planting in attempt to disguise the crime as a suicide.

Weeks earlier, Alejandre was rushed to the hospital after Torres stabbed him in the leg after offering him \$500. The deal cost Alejandre seven stitches.

Who is to blame for letting this happen? Gun control advocates might suggest stricter regulations as an antidote for cases like these, but Torres' age puts him outside of legality for obtaining any of his firearms. Even Torres' closest friends were unaware of the full scope of his weapons collection.

With all other options exhausted, Torres alone is at fault, lest he fall under juristic victim of circumstance. The local sheriff chided Torres' parents for not knowing about the weapons, but at just a year short of legal adulthood and no record of mental illness, Torres should be able to make those choices for himself.

He currently faces manslaughter charges and is held without bond at a local juvenile detainment center.

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RYAN: Survivor network gives strength, support

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made it through treatment with ease in comparison to others, her diagnosis left her with dark times as well. After last year, Ryan found herself looking back on the year and beginning to fall apart emotionally.

"I always have this let down at the end of the year," Ryan said. "Only this time it was kind of like, 'oh my gosh. What really happened? Did that really happen?'"

On top of that, she began to wonder where to go from there.

"I think it's unavoidable to have that lurking feeling of is it really

gone?" Ryan said. "It makes you feel vulnerable."

Brenda Ryan is a survivor, left with the reminiscence of an event that, like approximately 207,090 other women, left her face to face with her own mortality.

"It's ok to ask for help, it's ok to say you're not dealing with this real well," Ryan said. "Emotionally you come face to face with your mortality. I'm an English teacher and we love to talk about death, we think about our mortality in such an abstract way and this just makes you look at it like, oh man. It's in my mind and something could come back but I don't plan on it."

PINK: Providing hope to those who need it

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before my mom was diagnosed," Askin said. "I hope that that's what this is doing for the school, so the people that didn't know what breast cancer awareness was or what the pink ribbon was will know now."

Bearcat Arena housed more than Northwest pride Tuesday night as Northwest fans donned their pink attire and cheered for the cause at the volleyball game.

Morris White, director of athletic marketing,

promotions and licensing, first brought awareness to Northwest volleyball four years ago.

"I wanted to incorporate that (awareness), seeing that volleyball was a sport that a lot of women attend," White said. "I thought it would be an opportune time for us to take advantage of the fact that we could enhance the atmosphere for volleyball, but also recognize breast cancer awareness month."

Tuesday night people swarmed the arena clad in their various shades of fuchsia. The athletic pro-

motion attracted record-breaking crowds of 717 attendees in 2008.

"It's been tremendous for us," White said. "Women, sororities and different organizations come out of the woodwork because it's for a great cause and people like to be associated with that great cause."

Registered nurse Teri Harr educates women on the importance of mammograms and was blown away by the different efforts that elevated the awareness.

"The pink seems like

it's way bigger this year," Harr said. "I really can't believe the young people's events and how they are getting involved in the awareness."

From the Bearcats' "Pink Out" to the Spoofhounds' "Dig Pink", Harr noticed the new outlook on thinking pink.

"I think it's just exploded the awareness, which is always a good thing," Harr said. "I just think those kinds of slogans provide that awareness and help people feel positive about the fight against cancer."

DEAN: Trio of candidates considered

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staff and faculty who were not involved in the search process to submit their feedback on the candidates by completing a survey and turning it in to the committee immediately following the meeting.

Joyce Pival, one of the three candidates for the position, graduated from Northwest with a bachelor's degree in education, with honors, and a master's degree in secondary school administration. She also earned a doctorate of education from the University of Missouri-Columbia/Northwest Missouri State in educational leadership and policy analysis.

As well as interim dean, Pival is an associate professor in the Department of Educational Leadership. The town hall meeting for Pival will be held at 4 p.m., Nov. 1 in the Union Ballroom.

Deborah Rodgers is currently an associate professor of Instructional Leadership and Academic Curriculum Department at the University of Oklahoma. During her time at Oklahoma, she also has served as the dean of

student services from 2004 to 2008.

Rodgers received a bachelor's degree from Northwest in Secondary Education with a major in Spanish and a minor in psychology. Rodgers also received a master's in education, early childhood, from the University of Northern Iowa and her doctorate of philosophy in early childhood education from Auburn University. The town hall meeting for Rodgers is at 4 p.m., Nov. 4 in the Union Ballroom.

Carol Muller is chair of the Human and Sports Sciences Department and professor of health education and exercise science at the University of Maryland.

Muller received her bachelor's degree in health and physical education from the University of Pennsylvania-Edinboro. She also received her masters, and doctorate of philosophy in health education from the University of Maryland. The town hall meeting for Muller is at 4 p.m., Nov. 8 in the Union Ballroom.

Feedback from the town hall meetings will be taken into consideration when the committee makes an advisement to the provost, which could impact the final hiring decision.


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BY DAKOTA JONES
Missourian Reporter

The squeak of sneakers on shined hard wood, basket tosses followed with cheers from the student section and the swish of a net raises excitement in Bearcats everywhere.

Basketball season is a time filled with pride and the hope for victory. The annual Midnight Madness event on Oct. 14 kicked off the season the night before the teams' first practice

"It's a great event to start everything off," junior Abby Henry, member of the women's basketball team, said. "It's fun for us and for the crowd. It lets them get to know our personalities."

As the student section began to sway along to Kool and the Gang's "Celebrate," the steppers positioned themselves in front of the bleachers. The cheerleaders prepped for tosses and stunts. As the fans quieted, the dancers took their last deep breath before tapping out eight counts. Fans went crazy for the steppers' hip shakes and floor slides, and could not get enough of the cheerleaders' daring lifts.

"This is the first fun event of the season where we get to show everybody what we got," senior cheerleader Taylor Iacerella said. "There are a lot more people in the crowd this year and they're way more into it. We're ready to start this season off on the right step."

The steppers and cheerleaders rallied off the court and took up the mats. The host called students from the crowd to compete in a women versus men three-point shoot-off. Although embarrassed, the competitors could not help but laugh at the missed shots.

To further energize the crowd the pep band started playing. The bass-heavy song vibrated against the arena walls, setting the tone for the friendly rivalry.

"These types of events get pep band out of the usual marching band. There is a small audition to be in pep band. It's the upper end of the section. We take it seriously," senior trumpet player Brandon Busch said. "The crowd and the team like us being here. We are a main source of energy. It's infectious."

The lights dimmed after the shoot-off

ended in a draw and spot lights in the middle of the court circled the ceiling. The cheerleaders lined up, throwing up quick stunts. The booming voice of the announcer called the teams out in pairs. Stating their achievements and stats, the couples made their way down the row of claps and rallies ending with a unique chest bump or signature dance move.

"The teams spend so much time together that it's not really a competition. There's never one time that we battle against each other. This really is not a challenge," girls' coach Gene Speinmeyer said.

The mini-shooting challenges between the teams kicked off the main event. Throughout the dance off, the players could not help but smile. They were out of their element but poking fun at one another helped ease the tension.

Dressed in white tees, black sweatpants and bandanas, the girls were ready to show the men what dancing looked like. A choreographed dance to crowd-building songs made the team a tough act to follow.

"The dance off was the highlight of the night. It was a great idea," junior spectator Lauren Green said. "Midnight Madness is a great way to get the teams ready for the season and to get the fans ready to cheer at games."

The men were standing nearby, ready to show up the girls. They swaggered on to the floor full of confidence. Melting the hearts of fans, the men lip-synched to "My Girl". The heated competition ended in a victory for the men after a rock, paper, scissor battle.

The teams shook hands and thanked everyone for coming out. The pep band played one last song as students left the arena. The players stuck around still laughing and poking fun at one another. Students still commented about different things they had found humorous throughout the night. For many students this was not the first year they had attended Midnight Madness, but also commented that this had been the year they had been the most involved.

"The event got the whole university involved. With the prizes, pizza it was organized very well," Speilmeyer said. "It was good atmosphere."

"It's a great event to start everything off. It's fun for us and for the crowd. It lets them get to know our personalities."

-Abby Henry
Junior Guard

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DANCERS MAKE THEIR way into Bearcat Arena during the Grand Entrance on Saturday. About 30 tribes were present for the powwow.

NATALIE FRY | MISSOURIAN PHOTOGRAPHER

What's HOT

Jackass 3D

Johnny, BAM, and Steve-O lead the box-office in their first week. Kids, do not try this at home.

Michael Jackson

Coverings were removed after fans protested to let the King of Pop's name be shown at a school in LA.

Oprah Winfrey

This famous talk show host became one with nature as she roughed it in her pajamas at Yosemite National Park.

Bearcat Football

It is clear that Northwest football players are not holding anything back after another win, this time against Emporia, on Saturday.

What's NOT

U.S. Marines

According to a self-conducted survey by a U.S. Marine chief, 90 to 95 percent of marines are uncomfortable serving with homosexuals.

Justin Beiber

The young popstar was in a verbal fight with a "non-fan" while playing laser tag in British Columbia.

Cindy "Rodeo" Steedle

This former "Rock of Love" star had to post bond last week after being picked up on a warrant for grand theft auto.

Trapt no longer headstrong

BY AMANDA SCHULTE-SMITH
Missourian Reporter

Trapt plays it safe with the release of their new album, No Apologies. They took their reputation as the fight song-making rock band seriously this album, making every single song an earful, one that can be used by ESPN for advertisement. Trapt continues their Nu-Metal trend with this album, making us think they went to bands like Breaking Benjamin or Hoobastank to help write their music.

It wasn't a complete loss as an album though. The song "Drama Queen" gave the listener something a little gentler to listen to. The lyrics were average but the song reminds us of the talent the band actually has when they pick up a guitar. Trapt's new song "Sound Off" is like "Headstrong" as it is probably the catchiest song on the album. Trapt brought us back to nine years ago, when the sounds of songs from their first album were heard at every professional sport event in the country.

Unfortunately, the band either had a nice sound with corny lyrics or great lyrics with a sound so energetic your ears want to bleed. The album tried nothing new, making your opinion on it easy: either you like Trapt or you don't. Their new album makes the listener feel like they have déjà vu, bringing the same guitar riffs and drum solos into each song. If you have always been a die hard Trapt fan, this album will be great for you. However if the music they play has never been your thing, I would stay away.



Artist- Trapt	2/5 Paws
Release Date- October 12	
Genre- Alternative Rock	Members of the Band: Chris Taylor Brown, Robb Torres, Pete Charell, Aaron 'Monty' Montgomery
Record Label- Eleven Seven Music	

Hollywood reheats leftover plots

BY BEN LAWSON
Missourian Reporter

Awful movie sequels have plagued the film industry for decades, but production companies are still willing to produce them. Movie producers are most likely just trying to make money off of the fame of the original. But what producers don't realize is that these sequels are a slap in the face to anyone who loved the original movie. Here is a list of movie sequels that the public never should have been allowed to see. **INDIANA JONES AND THE KINGDOM OF THE CRYSTAL SKULL** Harrison Ford is well past his glory days as Indiana Jones and Han Solo. Are we really supposed to believe Shia LaBeouf is fit to fill his shoes as the new adventurer? This movie tried to mimic all the exciting action and peril of the previous films, but it just plain missed. Also what was with the aliens? They just came out of nowhere and didn't fit into the Indiana Jones universe at all. **BACK TO THE FUTURE PART III** Marty and Doctor Brown are back and still stuck in some messed up time period. At this point they have traveled from the 1980s, to the 1950s, back to the eighties and then to the future.

So what's next? Why not the wild west? Seeing the characters bumble through two different time periods was funny, but seeing the exact same misadventures a third time was too much. This movie is clearly just trying to recreate what they had with the original installment of the series. **THE MATRIX RELOADED** Keanu Reaves should have stopped when he figured out how far the rabbit hole went. The Matrix was a sci-fi classic, rich with original ideas and great acting. The Matrix Reloaded lacks the innovative story of its original and is clearly just trying to ride on special effects and exciting action sequences. The climax of the movie where Neo flies on fire to save his love is way too dramatic. I was secretly hoping Mr. Smith would win that fight. **SAW SEQUELS** The first Saw movie was a horror classic. The story was deep and engaging, and the ending was just plain jaw dropping. But, for the sequels, the writers decided they didn't need storylines-just a lot of blood and guts. In the first Saw you truly understood the characters, which gave you a greater attachment to the movie. In the sequels, they throw characters onto the screen just so they can be gruesomely killed.

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TONY BOTTS | SPORTS EDITOR

(ABOVE) SOPHOMORE LINEBACKER JORDAN Zech swats at Chillicothe's quarterback while senior defensive end Colby Keyes flies in to assist. (RIGHT) SOPHOMORE RUNNING BACK Cole Forney eyes a Chillicothe defender down field. Forney later scored a 1-yard touchdown to help Maryville to a 35-21 district opening win.

District title at stake on Senior Night

BY TONY BOTTS
Sports Editor

As November approaches, there is still business to take care of during the last two weeks in October, especially Friday, with St. Pius X heading to Maryville with a District Title on the line.

"Don't get me wrong," head coach Chris Holt said. "We talk about it. We talk about November and what that means around here. Our kids have a clear understanding of what that takes. I expect another good November in Maryville."

A priceless factor to Maryville's success in the approaching weeks and into November is the late-season experience the team possesses.

"I think it's invaluable, I

don't think there is any other way that you can replace that experience," Holt said. "If you've had it and you've been there, and a team has not been there, you have a clear advantage."

That experience, along with the rest of the Spoofhounds, is two games away from locking up District 16. But first, they must get past a 5-3 Warriors squad.

"They are very multiple on what they do on defense, they're going to throw a lot of fronts at us," Holt said. "Offensively, they do a lot of shifts and they are going to throw the ball quite a little bit. They're pretty balanced. It's more of a zone-type offense. I guess they're more of a collegiate-style, if I could say that."

This week, the 'Hounds



will have to avoid giving up the big play, a bug the defense and special teams were both bitten by during the Chillicothe outing.

"(The team) responded fine, it was just a lack of wrapping up on the (80-yard touchdown run) and then, obviously, just flat got us on the kick return," Holt said. "We had never seen that before from them. They made a good play, we didn't do a good job of recognizing it on the way down."

The 'Hounds and Warriors kick off at 7 p.m. Friday in Maryville. St. Pius X trails Maryville by two points for the district tie-breaker in the events of a tie in record.

Seniors take down Fairfax

BY JASON LAWRENCE
Missourian Reporter

The Spoofhounds made quick work of Craig-Fairfax on volleyball Senior Night on Monday. It was also the "Dig Pink" game for cancer research.

"It's fun, but it makes me nervous because their minds are on a lot of other things," head coach Lori Klaus said. "I think they came out and performed well."

Maryville took the match in straight sets from the Bulldogs. The 'Hounds won the first set 25-8 and faced little resistance.

The second set was not much better. Fairfax got the first point, but Maryville scored the next 10 points en route to a 25-10 win.

"It means a lot, we were really excited and pumped up because it's our last home game," senior setter Rachel Tobin said. "We really wanted to come out and win."

After the game, the team made a \$400 donation to Boo Cooper of Fairfax who has bone cancer. The 'Hounds also donated \$271 to The Side-Out Foundation for Breast Cancer Research.

"I think tonight was pretty special," Klaus said. "A lot of these girls know her (Cooper) with Fairfax being so close. I think that makes it pretty personal and then a lot of people are affected by breast cancer, whether it's a grandmother or mom or somebody that they know."

Maryville finished up the regular season Tuesday night at Smithville, losing in straight sets.



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JUNIOR SAMMY KELLER prepares to spike the ball in a match against Fairfax on Monday at Maryville High School. The Hounds won the first set 25-8, and also won the second set 25-10.

A veteran-heavy Smithville team dismantled the young Spoofhounds on Senior Night, sending its nine seniors out with a 2-0 victory.

Maryville lost the first set 25-14 and fell 25-9 in the second set.

"They are really good," Klaus said. "Only one loss on the year to LeBlond in a three game match."

The 'Hounds are seeded No. 2 for the District Tourna-

ment next week with a 23-5-2.

"I think we can win it (Districts)," Tobin said. "If we come out strong and play our game, I think we can win it all. I hope we do."

Maryville has a first-round bye on Monday before playing the winner of the Lafayette-Chillicothe game in Class 3 District 16. Game time is set for 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at Benton High School in St. Joseph, Mo.

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

BEARCATS

Ryan Jones



Senior cornerback Ryan Jones broke a 28-28 tie with Emporia State, with his second touchdown interception of the season. It was his third total INT.

Kelsey Sanders



Senior forward Kelsey Sanders helped the 'Cats earn their second victory of the season with her first goal of the season against Mo. Western.

Gavin Talmadge



Senior running back Gavin Talmadge rushed for 131 yards and three touchdowns against Chillicothe. He scored on runs of 70, 44 and 1 yards.

Sydney Rogers



Sophomore cross-country runner Sydney Rogers claimed eighth place at the MEC meet. Her finish was good enough to earn second-team all-conference.

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SENIOR MIDFIELDER EMILEE Davison takes a shot on goal against Missouri Western last Thursday. Davison scored a goal in Northwest's 2-1 victory.

Jennies deliver swift kick

BY BRYCE MERENESS
Missourian Reporter

Rivalry week at Bearcat Pitch witnessed some late game fireworks. Two goals in the last minute, one for each team, brought some excitement, and the Bearcats held on to a 2-1 victory over Missouri Western. Senior forward Kelsey Sanders knocked in the first after junior forward Erica Hatcher hit her in stride with a ball through the defense. "Kelsey had a beautiful goal at the end," head coach Tracy Hoza said. "Smart ball by Erica. We say just play it to their feet, in soccer we play to the feet instead of just kicking it, and that was a perfect example. Erica played it right to Kelsey's foot and she took the player on and scored." The insurance goal proved to be valuable when 22 seconds later, senior defender

Kendra Stirn netted a goal for the Griffons. "They had five or six kids up there just kicking it and shoving it down our throat," Hoza said. "That's just pressure and understanding that it happens and at the end of the day we still won, so we'll take that." The first Northwest goal came in the 22nd minute. Freshman forward Emilee Davison scored her team leading third goal of the year in a mad dash in front of goal. After initially saving senior forward Amanda Olah's shot, Western's senior goalkeeper Jenna Weis could not gain control, allowing sophomore forward Amanda Bundrandt to shoot. Her effort hit the post and sat on the goal line until Davison smashed the ball home for the score, securing the win. The 'Cats then travelled to Warrensburg to take on the No. 2 Jennies. Northwest

fell 4-0 on goals by sophomore Kayla Shain, sophomore Aaryn Burke and two by junior Cara Hennahane. The 'Cats will take on Emporia state at 2 p.m. today at Bearcat Pitch. Northwest earned its first victory against the Hornets, but Hoza says they are a motivated team. "They are going to be out for revenge," Hoza said. "You have confidence, but that doesn't mean we're going to sit down and rest on that. They've turned it around and beat Southwest Baptist and tied Mo. Western, and they can get results and they can definitely beat teams." The 'Cats will then look for revenge of their own when they travel to Topeka to face the Lady Blues of Washburn Saturday. Northwest fell 2-1, in double-overtime to the Lady Blues Sept. 23, in the worst playing conditions of the year.

Lady Blues feeling blue

BY KYLE HENDRICKS
Missourian Reporter

The Northwest volleyball team came into Tuesday night's "Pink Out" game against the Washburn Lady Blues with thoughts of dissatisfaction. The 'Cats lost to Washburn in three sets in Topeka, Kan. the last time these two squads faced off. Washburn entered Tuesday's game with a record of 21-1 and 9-1 in MIAA play. The 'Cats started Tuesday's game with a 9-9 record and 5-5 in the MIAA. "We do have revenge on our minds," said sophomore Laura Akin. "I don't think anybody came off our last match against them being satisfied, we all left knowing we could improve on the performance we had." The 'Cats got their revenge Tuesday night at Bearcat Arena. Behind a crowd of 578, the 'Cats upset the No. 2 Lady Blues 3-2 in five sets. It was the team's first win over Washburn since 2006 and its first win over a ranked opponent since beating No. 18 Nebraska-Omaha in 2007. Northwest improved to 10-9 and 6-5 in the MIAA while Washburn fell to 21-2 and 9-2 in the conference. The 'Cats won the first set 25-23. Washburn came back and took the second set 25-21. The 'Cats came from behind to take the third set 25-20. Washburn dominated the fourth set and won 25-17. The 'Cats trailed 19-20 in the fifth set but they rallied back to take the final set 22-20. Senior Amber Ryan led the team with a season high 22 kills. Junior Alex Hanna had 15 kills, four block assists and a team-high three service aces. Laura Akin tied a career high with 55 assists and recorded her sixth double-double of the season and her third in a row by adding 11 digs. Akin also added two aces. Senior Paige Spangenberg led the team with 25 digs. Fellow senior Sara Falcone had 12 kills



JONATHAN RIVERA | MISSOURIAN PHOTOGRAPHER
SENIOR MIDDLE HITTER Amber Ryan delivers a spike against Missouri Southern on Saturday. The 'Cats swept the match 3-0.

and 16 digs to record her seventh double-double of the season. It was a complete team effort, which was what head coach Jessica Rinehart expected. "If we come out and battle point for point we know we can compete with anyone," said Rinehart. "I expect them to play with a lot of energy and focus and to stick to our game every time we go out there. We need to have strong fundamentals and discipline. We're playing for lots of reasons, including breast cancer awareness." The next two games for the 'Cats will be on the road. At 7 p.m. on Friday the 'Cats take on Fort Hays (7-14, 0-9 MIAA) Tigers. Continuing the road trip at 7 p.m. Saturday, the team will seek to avenge a Sept. 18 loss to the Hornets. Emporia State (17-4, 8-2 MIAA) is fourth in the MIAA.

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